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Important Dates on the School Calendar

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December 2—*Saturday*, Recognition Day (December 2, 1859, the Lancaster County Normal School was recognized the First State Normal School in Pennsylvania).

December 9—*Saturday*, Senior Play, "The County Chairman," 8 p. m.

December 19, 20, 21—*Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday*, Senior-Junior Excursion to Washington.

December 21—*Thursday*, Christmas vacation begins, 12 m.

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January 2—*Tuesday*, Christmas vacation ends. 7 p. m., Study Hour.

January 20—*Saturday*, Lecture, J. G. Camps, "Sub-American King," 8 p. m.

February 10—*Junior Evening*.

February 22—*Thursday*, Washington's Birthday (holiday).

February 24—*Saturday*, Lecture, Totten, "Illusionist."

April 4—*Wednesday*, Winter Term ends, 12 m.

April 9—*Monday*, Enrollment for Spring Term. Study Hour 7 p. m.

April 10—*Tuesday*, 8 a. m. All class exercises begin.

April 16—*Monday*, Special Spring Term of eleven weeks begins. Enrollment.

April 21—*Saturday*, Lecture, H. C. Ostrander, "Burma."

May 11—*Friday*, The Berna Concert Company.

May 18—*Friday*, 7:30 p. m. Anniversary of the Page Literary Society.

May 26—*Friday*, 8 p. m. Lecture-Musicale, Dr. Alma Webster-Powell.

June 24—*Sunday*, Baccalaureate Sunday.

June 26—*Tuesday*, Class Day, 1:30 p. m.

June 27—*Wednesday*, Commencement Exercises, 9 a. m.

June 27—*Wednesday*, Meeting of Alumni Association, 2 p. m. Alumni Dinner, 5 p. m.

July 2—*Monday*, Summer Term begins.

August 10—*Friday*, Summer Term ends.

Changes in the School Calender

The Fall Term was scheduled to open Tuesday, September fifth, but on account of the orders issued by the State Commission of Health, Dr. Dixon, it opened two weeks later, on the nineteenth. This has caused a slight change in terms throughout the year. The Fall Term will continue for fourteen weeks, closing at the beginning of the Christmas vacation. The Winter Term will run for fourteen weeks, from the end of the Christmas vacation (January second) to the beginning of the Easter vacation (April fourth). The Spring Term of twelve weeks will begin April ninth and end with Commencement, June twenty-seventh.

Special Spring Term for Teachers

Inasmuch as the public schools of Pennsylvania will close unusually late next Spring, the Millersville Normal School will make an arrangement to meet this condition. A *Special Spring Term* of *eleven* weeks will be opened on Monday, April 16, 1917. At the opening of this term classes will be organized in Arithmetic, Algebra, Plane Geometry, English Grammar, Rhetoric and Composition, Latin, Physical Geography, Botany, Zoölogy, Physiology, Political Geography, United States History, Civics, European History, School Management, Methods, Penmanship, Drawing, Industrial Arts, Manual Training, Domestic Science, Domestic Arts.

Classes will recite three, four, and five times a week. Recitation periods will be one hour in length. The foregoing subjects may be passed in these special classes and credited toward the Regular Normal Course.

New Teachers

Dr. Jacob Tanger, who came in October, 1915, to teach Psychology and Pedagogy, accepted a position in Pennsylvania State College early in August. His successor is Mr. Ernest B. Skaggs of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Mr. Skaggs claims Texas as his native State. He was just gradu-

ated from the University of Michigan, where he was elected a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. Prof. Pillsbury, the great psychologist and author, who was Mr. Skaggs' teacher in Psychology, recommended him very highly. We now feel certain that Mr. Skaggs is amply able to live up to his reputation.

The August JOURNAL told its readers of Miss Whittaker's resignation from the department of Mathematics to attend the University of Chicago. To fill the vacancy thus caused, Mr. Samuel B. Stayer, '13 and '16, of Woodbury, Bedford County, was elected to teach Arithmetic and Algebra. Since his graduation in 1913 Mr. Stayer has been supervising principal of the East Drumore Township schools.

Just a few days before the opening of school in September, Mr. Stayer had a very serious burning accident which prevented his taking charge of his classes. We are glad to report now that he expects to be ready for duty on Monday morning, November thirteenth.

Miss MacCrae could not return this year on account of some needed treatment which all hope will restore her for active service in the teaching of History. At present she is writing letters full of hope for a complete recovery so that she will be ready for duty next September. The Board of Trustees granted her leave of absence for the present school year.

Mr. John S. Simons was secured to teach Miss MacCrae's History classes. Mr. Simons was a teacher at this Normal a number of years ago. He was Principal of the East Donegal Township High School and Superintendent of the DuBois (Pa.) schools. He is a graduate of F. & M. College and of Columbia University with the degree of Master of Arts.

The Normal School Course of Study

The Pennsylvania State Normal Schools are considering needed revisions of the present course of study. To one studying the courses of study of the Normal Schools in the United States it is very evident that there is no little diversity of opinion as to what the course or courses should consist of. Several broad trends are evident however. These are as follows:

(1) That four years of high school work shall precede a two-year course in the Normal wherever this standard is possible.

(2) That the two-year course shall largely consist of professional preparation for a particular kind of work.

(3) That other courses shall be offered to those not having the advantages of a good high school, which shall prepare them for teaching as well as for the regular two-year course.

On the eighth of November a committee of five Principals was appointed by Dr. Schaeffer, to report on needed revisions of the course of study in the Pennsylvania Normal Schools.

The fact that attempts, successful and unsuccessful, to revise the course are made almost annually indicates a wholesome state of affairs in our schools. Constant revision and readjustment are needed as conditions change and solutions to problems in education are being worked out.

Excursion to Washington

On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, December the 19th, 20th, and 21st, the Seniors and Juniors and their parents and friends will go on a full three-day excursion to Washington. *The members of the Class of 1916 are especially invited to join in and go along on this very attractive trip.* Congress will no doubt be in session at this time. The cost for car-fare, hotel expenses, trip to Mt. Vernon, etc., etc., for a three-day excursion is about \$12.50.

Any former student and friends may make arrangements to go by writing to Mr. H. C. Symons. Be sure to write early.

Alumni Lectures

During the Winter and Spring Terms a number of very profitable lectures will be delivered by members of our Alumni whose loyalty for Alma Mater is strong and who have attained professional standing which entitles them to speak with assurance on educational themes. From time to time we hope to appeal to many for this kind of service to aid in the better training of our students.

Already Supt. Allen S. Martin, '91, of Norristown, has accepted the invitation. So has Supt. E. Ransom Barclay, '96, of Pottsville, accepted the invitation. Others have been invited who, it is sincerely hoped, will accept the call. Others will be invited later.

Fall Field Meet

The fourth annual field meet for borough and township High Schools, of Lancaster, Lebanon, and York counties, was held Saturday, November 4, on the Normal School campus. 215 contestants, representing twenty-two schools, entered in the various events. The promise of the morning for fair weather brought out a record attendance, the number being estimated at 1350; but the rain which began falling in the late afternoon brought a rather gloomy close to an otherwise pleasant day. The few remaining events were finished by the plucky athletes whose efforts drew rounds of cheers from the rooters of their respective schools.

There was close rivalry for the Shand cup. Ephrata High School returned the cup they won last year by taking 24 of a possible 66 points, and had high hopes of keeping the trophy again this year. Not only did they bring a group of contestants, but also a large crowd of rooters, who were alert and watchful during the events in which their team had a place. However, they lost the meet by only three points, Millersville winning by a score of twenty-four. The third best score was made in Class C, by the Rothsville team. The other scores follow: Class A, Red Lion, $14\frac{1}{2}$; Lititz, $10\frac{1}{2}$; Mount Joy, 5; Palmyra, 0; Manheim, 5. Class B, Delta, 0; Maytown, 8; North York $5\frac{1}{2}$; Quarryville, $10\frac{1}{2}$; Dallastown, 1. Class C, Colerain, 9; West York, 12; Stewartstown, 0; Jonestown, 3; Drumore 0; Yoe, 5. Unclassified, New Holland, 0; Denver, 5; and Elizabethtown, 5.

While the attendance at the meet was better than the last field day, the class of events was below that of last year. The broad-jump, the shot-put, the 100-yard dash, and other of the track events slowed down in speed and distance. Yet in Class C, the high jump by Risser, of Rothsville, was by far the best of any class.

The elocutionary contests were held in the Normal chapel, Room R, and the Model School chapel, for the three classes and the number of contestants has grown each year until this time there were sixteen. There was a corresponding change in the quality of declamations, so that these events are growing in interest. The fact that these points count for the meet cup helps to center the interest of all the visitors on this part of the programme.

Mount Joy easily won the mile relay in Class A, and the crack team that has seen service at the big relays in Philadelphia gave a fine exhibition of their team work, running the course in 3 minutes and 54 seconds.

Elocutionary Contest, Class A—Helen Snavelly, Manheim, first; Laura Lichten, Ephrata, second; and Winifred Huber, Lititz, third. Class B—Edna Bushong, Rothsville, first; Harry Aument, Quarryville, second; and Martha Gish, Millersville, third. Class C—Warren Lutz, Denver, first; Charles Hershey, West York, second; and Grace Heisey, Elizabethtown, third.

Spelling Contest—Open to any class, one contestant to each school—Amanda Dumbach, Millersville, first, average 98 per cent.; Henry Engle, Maytown, second, average 95 per cent.; Herbert Huber, Lititz, and Florence Beaverson, North York, third, average 90 per cent.

100-yard dash, Class A—R. Eshelman, Mt. Joy, and Ritz, Red Lion, first; Runkle, Red Lion, third. Time, 11 2-5 seconds.

Running broad jump, Class A—Uibel, Ephrata, first; Gehman, Ephrata, second; and Flinchbaugh, Red Lion, third. Distance, 17 feet.

Running high jump, Class A—Bishop, Ephrata, first; Kreidler, Red Lion, second; and McPherson, Red Lion, third. Height, 4 feet, 8 inches.

Mile Relay, Class A—Mt. Joy, Brown, R. Eshelman, Gantz, Grissinger, and Myers, first; Red Lion, Miller, Folckomer, Grim, Warner, Ritz,

Runkle, and Brown, second; Lititz, Keath, Ruhl, Shenberger, Carper, and Dussinger, third. Time, 3 minutes, 54 seconds.

100-yard dash, Class B—Aument, Quarryville, first; Stehman, Millersville, second; and Kohr, North York, third. Time, 11 1-5 seconds.

Running broad jump, Class B—Stehman, Millersville, first; Kauffman, Millersville, second; and Butcher, Dallastown, third. Distance 17 feet 2½ inches.

Running high jump, Class B—K. Endslo, Maytown, first; Ford, Millersville, second; Kauffman, Millersville, and Warfel, Millersville, third. Height, 4 feet, 8 inches.

Mile relay, Class B—North York, Kohr, Everhart, R. Everhart, M. Leckrone, and Shaffer, second; Millersville, Kauffman, Ford, Stehman, Warfel, and Wallick, first; Quarryville, L. Hassler, Groff, Fritz, Brubaker, and Aument, third.

100-yard dash, Class C—Shuck, West York, first; Collins, Colerain, second; and Buph, West York, third. Time, 11 seconds.

Running broad jump, Class C—Ness, Yoe, first; Risser, Rothsville, second; and Buph, West York, third. Distance, 16 feet, 11 inches.

Running high jump, Class C—Risser, Rothsville, first; Souillard, Jonestown, second; and Ness, Yoe, third. Height, 5 feet.

Mile Relay, Class C—Rothsville, Martin, Reist, Risser, Royer, and Metzler, first; Colerain, Kennard, Root, Griffiths, Eshleman, Patterson, second; and West York, Shunk, Richards, Krebs, Kaltreider and Eisenhart, third. Time, 4 minutes, 13 seconds.

Shot Put, Any Class—Uibel, Ephrata, first; Griffiths, Colerain, second; and Kreidler, Red Lion, third. Distance, 25 feet, 7 inches.

Pole Vault, Any Class—Keller, Lititz, first; Hepp, Lititz, second; and Stabley, Red Lion, and Ford, Millersville, third. Height, 8 feet, 2 inches.

Conference with 1916

CARRIE E. MYERS

The Class of 1916 returned upon invitation to the Normal School on Saturday morning, October 28, for the purpose of holding a conference with the Principal and Faculty on matters that have perplexed them in their first two months of actual teaching.

The questions brought by these teachers were intensely interesting and practical. They showed that these young people are recognizing the needs of their pupils and the problems of the community.

There were many difficulties met in *phonics*, both in higher and lower grades.

If systematic work throughout the grades had not been done, it was suggested that the work will have to be so organized, that five to eight minutes each day be given for systematic work; that all grades above beginners be taken together at first, then as upper grades develop power to go on more rapidly the class be divided and lower grades given more time for drill, while others finish in shorter time. [Miss Johnson.]

How to get pupils to *use* a *dictionary* and the difficulty of definitions found in dictionaries, was another question.

Dictionary definitions are often not written from the standpoint of the child. For the lower grades, the *use* of the word and not its definition, should be emphasized. Lessons in the use of a dictionary should be given at regular intervals. Lists of words should be arranged according to the alphabet. [Mr. Kraybill.]

Another question involved the question of teaching technical *grammar*, *definitions*, *rules*, *parsing*, *analysis*, and *forming habits* of *correct* speech.

The State course says, "Much diagramming is of doubtful value. Definitions should follow discussions of terms to be defined instead of preceding them. Develop the definition with the class. Learn only the more common and useful rules of syntax." See what the State course demands and use your text as a guide in fixing the technical points required.

Concerning the form of definitions to be taught, I should say that after a good definition had been developed with the class the pupils should be required to memorize the definition as given by the author. If the teacher is certain that the author's definition is not a good one she should formulate one for the pupils and insist that it be memorized.

Habits of speech are in a large measure the outcome of environment. Teachers must be careful of their own language and insist on correct forms in all classes, but it cannot be expected, in six hours out of each day, to overcome the tremendous influence of incorrect speech heard in the home and on the street. Plenty of practice should be given in both oral and written expression. Compositions must in all cases be short. [Miss Bausman.]

In arithmetic, the *applied problem* presented the greatest difficulty.

Children must be taught to read intensively. This can be done by insisting upon the child reading the problem until he sees what is given and what is to be found out. It then becomes a question of "How?" To answer this question, some strong relations must be made between what the child knows and what he is to find out. [Miss Myers.]

How can we get *expressive reading* from the pupils in the higher grades?

Are you sure the pupil understands the thought? Are the feeling and the expression of it within the range of the pupil's own experience? How can you connect the feeling and expression with the pupil's experience so as to make it touch his life? We must get an insight into the pupil's mental processes and have a knowledge of the elements of expression so as to lead from clear comprehension and genuine feeling to expressive reading. [Miss Landes.]

These teachers, members of the class of 1916, were present:

From Lancaster County were Aline Bateman (Adamstown); Benj. Eshleman (Conestoga); Mabel Harris (Denver); Margaret Neely, Mar-

garet Fackenthal (East Donegal); Esther Herr (West Donegal); E. Claire Creamer (Drumore); Katharine McCulloch (Florin); W. Civila Brubaker (Hempfield); Sara Bitner, Helen Duttonhofer, Mildred McNeal, Bertha H. Leyden (Lancaster City); Anna M. Carpenter, Naomi Niedermeyer (Manor); Mary Eshelman (Martic); B. Naomi Leaman (Paradise); Helen Bair, Naomi Bowers, Margaret Muehe, Alice M. Osman (Rapho); Edna Rochow (Strasburg boro); W. Harold Geist (Upper Leacock); Chas. W. Hull, Carl Rees (F. & M. College).

From York County came Sophia M. Brockman, Lola M. Reed (York City); Leander Hoke (West York); Mary H. Emlet (Hanover); Lillie M. Craley (Red Lion). From Lebanon County, Florence R. Bishop (Cornwall); Gertrude Derr, Jeannette L. Davies (Jackson); Isabella Elliott, Sadie Light (North Lebanon); Mildred Dull (Palmyra). From Chester County, Olive Davis (Highland); Harry B. Jacobs (Hellertown); Ruth Grassmyer (Loyalton); Terressa W. Hershey (Parkesburg). From Dauphin County, Raymond Coleman (Gatz); Cora E. Rabuck. Ruth Stockton came from Allentown, Harold Gehman from Saxton, Bedford County, and John Burke from Franklin, New Jersey.

The many favorable comments on the pleasure and profit seem to indicate that every one appreciated both the "home coming" and the help received.

Hallowe'en Party

JULIA E. MARTIN, '17

The Normal School Chapel was the scene of much merriment on the evening of October thirty-first, when the Faculty entertained the students from eight to ten o'clock. At every turn the unique decorations consisting of autumn leaves, jack o'lanterns, corn fodder, and witches suggested Hallowe'en.

The evening was devoted to Hallowe'en stunts and all were soon busily engaged in blowing candles, snipping apples, collecting peanuts, etc. All enjoyed the suit case race and the visit of the ghosts, who favored us with a ghostly song before taking their departure. One of the special features was a number of readings given by Miss Landes and graphically illustrated by other members of the Faculty. Among these were: "Little Orphant Annie," "Lord Ullin's Daughter" and "Lochinvar."

A Grand March to Room A, where we were served with pumpkin pie and cocoa, brought to a close an evening so fraught with enjoyment that memories of it will linger for many a day.

Eight Week Clubs

HELEN A. GANSER

The last number of the NORMAL JOURNAL contained an account of the Eight Week Club movement under the auspices of the Young Wom-

an's Christian Association. At the end of the summer, Millersville could count, to its credit, seven successfully conducted clubs. If space permitted, an interesting tale could be told of the enthusiasms and achievements of the girls enrolled in those clubs. Work, study, and play featured all regular meetings. Special events were held to which all communities were invited. And, by means of community service, the girls developed the social spirit. Only brief mention can be made of the work done.

Miss Eleanor Work, for the second time, led a club at Honey Grove, Juniata County. The club repeated the successful community picnic of the previous summer. This Club is responsible for introducing a traveling library into the community.

The Club, near Mt. Joy, Lancaster County, led by Miss Miriam Ends-low, is another two-year-old. A picture was presented by the Club to the local school. Presentation exercises were held, with about one hundred persons present, a good attendance.

Miss Gertrude Hamaker was the leader of a very industrious club, near Duncannon. The girls earned the money to buy a flag and a book-case for the school-house. Two community events were held and were well attended.

The Loysville Eight Week Club, with a membership of eighteen girls, led by Miss Helen M. Lightner, held a Novelty Social and, from the proceeds, helped to pay off an old street light debt.

The Club near Hanover, led by Miss Margaret Dusman, helped to buy a new carpet for the church. This Club decided to continue its meetings through the winter.

Miss Elva Heffley was the leader of the Blue Bird Eight Week Club of Adamstown, Lancaster County. The girls carried flowers to the sick and sang for the old people. Procuring a traveling library for the town was an important piece of their community service. This Club is, also, keeping up its activity through the winter.

Miss Margaret Ewing's Club, at Neff's Mills, Huntington County, raised money for the purchase of an individual communion set for the church. A sum of money was also paid into the Community-Building Fund.

The Sixtieth Anniversary of the Normal Literary Society

H. JUSTIN RODDY

The Normal Literary Society celebrated the Sixtieth Anniversary of its founding on October 27, 1916, with appropriate exercises. The program was of more than ordinary excellence.

The rostrum was decorated with bay trees and palms. The society's motto, "Fight for Truth and Right," was conspicuously displayed and its color, crimson, was also in evidence in the scarfs that decked the secretary's desk and in the cut flowers which graced the flower tables.

Wm. Wilhelm, '74, of Pottsville, and Mrs. Anna May Hull Chrostwaite, '99, of Hanover, presided at the exercises.

Fired with a zeal for the welfare of the literary societies of his alma mater, President William Wilhelm, Esq., of Pottsville, urged in a brief, forceful address that the young women use their opportunities and make the societies what they were in the past, thereby enabling themselves to become a factor for good in the world as leaders on the platform and in reform.

The first solo was rendered by Mr. Karl H. Wagar, of Lancaster, who played the difficult Rhapsodie—Hongroise No. 8 (Franz Liszt), in an artistic manner. He responded to an encore.

Dr. Arthur Holmes, dean of the general faculty of State College, delivered the honorary address on "The Work Worth While." He said in part: "Whatever you get at this school, get this: Be able to stand on your feet, think with your mind, and express what you want to say in clear language." He also laid emphasis on the fact that the greatest work in the world, that is, the work worth while, is to make one's self. It means, he said, that a life work should be one into which we can put our soul.

The audience was next delighted with a splendid rendition of Bizet's "Toreador Song" from *Carmen*, by Samuel B. Smith, who is no stranger to Normal School audiences and in Lancaster's musical circles is an accredited solo artist. He was warmly encored.

The initial reading entitled, "The Piper" (Peabody), given by the reader of the evening, Mrs. B. Noble Borton, of the National School of Elocution and Oratory, Philadelphia, held her audience in rapt attention.

Music, Beethoven's "Trio in C Minor, Op. 1, No. 3," was given by Miss Mary E. Schneder, piano; Messrs, F. Russell Shenton, violin; and Eric Jette, 'cello, with an interpretative appreciation that admitted of no further wish by the audience.

John C. Swartley, Esq., '88, of Philadelphia, delivered the Normal oration on "Decision and Courage." He said in part: "I confess my obligation to this school and society and the impressions made on me here were deep and lasting. The American spirit of courage grew out of an heroic time. How great has been the instrument, a manifestation of it, which met every obstacle in war or in peace and through all our progress—our constitution."

Samuel Smith then sang another selection after which Mrs. Borton read "A Modern Cinderella." The Normal Glee Club sang "Gypsy

Life" (Robert Shuman), and to the strains of the school orchestra the crowd passed out and the events of the day were over.

The Normal Glee Club consists of the following persons: Soprano—A. Mildred Brand, Edna M. Emlet, C. Marie Hartman, Alma B. Horn, Ada Krauskop, C. Ruth Matson, Helen C. Pitcairn, Leah E. Royer, Ella H. Snively, Elva L. Walter, V. Ruth Waltmyer; alto—Elsie A. Balmer, Mary S. Grosch, Beatrice M. Jones, Sadie M. Kohr, Merna E. Street; tenors—Harry B. Baughey, Wade M. Becker, Clarence Adey, John Q. Haley, Leslie P. Shumaker, Roy H. Workman; bass—Allen P. Brightbill, Baxter B. Cramer, Wesley W. Kehler, James L. Martin, F. Russell Shenton, Arthur H. Zimmerman; leader, F. Russell Shenton; pianist, Helen L. Manifold.

The School Orchestra is as follows: Violins, Florence M. Mease, Kathryn Shearer, F. Russell Shenton, Charles Helm, and Arthur Zimmerman; cornets, Geo. M. May, Leslie Shumaker; trombone, Ira S. Brinser; clarinet, John K. Trayer; flute, Baxter B. Cramer; mandolin, Eleanor M. Witmer, Ada F. Krauskop, Mary C. Knerr; piano, Roy H. Workman; drums, Marcus Pachelbel; leader, F. Russell Shenton.

The anniversary committee follows: Lester R. Uhrich, '05; Beatrice M. Jones, '17; Amanda Landes, '85; Baxter B. Cramer, '17.

Many old graduates as well as friends of the school and the society, returned to make merry with the present students in their celebration of this event.

The Page Literary Society

IRA R. KRAYBILL

The unusually good work of the Page Society in the past year is an ever-present incentive to its members to strive to make this year even more successful. A most auspicious beginning has already been made. Interesting programs have been prepared and listened to attentively by good audiences. The interest manifested by the graduate members of the society in their visits to the school has been deeply appreciated by the active members.

In describing the work of the society in more detail, it is difficult to find a place to begin. Mention should be made of the amalgamation of the Page and Normal Orchestras, by the formation of a School Orchestra. It is hoped that this will be more beneficial to both societies. While we are speaking of the orchestra, we should note the other music of the society. Miss Kuhn has drilled the Page Glee Club and it has sung very pleasingly. The Page Boys' Glee Club has also been much appreciated. Those who have contributed most of the musical programs are Misses

Kuhn, Diehl, Lightner, Neely, Middleton, and Bradshaw; and Messrs. May, Ankrum, Miller, and Nebinger.

Misses Lightner, Ryan, Ackerman, Garverich, and Kuhn have delighted the society with recitations.

The following orations have been delivered: "Our Ambitions" Mr. Biemesderfer; "Personal Association" Mr. Miller; "Climb, though the Rocks be Rugged" Mr. Hummer, "Personality" Mr. McComsey, "Friends" Mr. Keith.

Among others, the following questions have been debated: "Resolved, That the Railroads of the United States should be under Federal Control." "Resolved, That Trade Unions and Strikes are Beneficial." "Resolved, That War is inconsistent with Christianity." "Resolved, That President Wilson was justified in advocating the Eight Hour Law."

Vigorous general debates have succeeded the regular debates. Some of the most active debaters have been: Misses Rankey, Noonan, Julia Martin, Price, Umlauf, Gable, Leiden, Diehl, and Trezise; and Messrs. Ankrum, Hanks, Keith, Bacastow, Nebinger, Biemesderfer, and Rutt.

The referred questions have been interesting and, in general, well read.

To those of its members who have gone beyond the walls of the Normal School, the society sends a most hearty invitation to return and see for themselves how the best Page traditions are being maintained.

Marriages

SOUTHWICK-NICHOLSON—On July the sixth at St. Mark's Church, Berkeley, California, Miss Margaret Nicholson and Mr. Joseph H. Southwick. Miss Nicholson was a student here for several years during the eighties. The cards read thus: At Home after July 15th, at Milton, California. May happiness be the portion of our valued friends!

SCHOCK-JEFFERS—On September the twelfth at Mount Gretna, Pa., Mr. Clarence Schock, '83, to Miss Evetta T. Jeffers of York, Pa. "At Home after the first of January 17th, at Mount Joy, Pa." Thus the cards read. May many years of happiness be the lot of our young friends!

PINKHAM-SIMMONS—On June the twenty-ninth in St. John's Church, Passaic, New Jersey, Mr. Albert D. Pinkham and Miss Evelyn S. Simmons. Mr. Pinkham was our very popular instructor of Physical Culture for nine years. He is now teaching in the celebrated Ethical Culture School in New York.

HIMMELWRIGHT-NIELSON—On the third of May at Oakland, California, Miss Adeline D. Nielson to Mr. A. L. A. Himmelwright. The latter was one of our notably good students during the eighties, and is now a successful Civil Engineer. The home of our friends is Stockholm, New Jersey.

COOPER-PORTER—On the twenty-seventh of September, at Elmcroft, Penfield, New York, Miss Carolyn M. Porter and Mr. George W. Cooper, '12. Mr. Cooper holds a principalship in the New York schools. May happiness and prosperity attend our young friends!

SEBERT-COOPER—On October the twenty-fourth at her home in Millersburg, Pa., Miss Mabel E. Cooper, '10, to Mr. Charles G. Sebert. Our friends will be "at home" at 3425 Eastern Ave., Baltimore, Md., after December 1st. Thus the cards read.

CATLIN-MILLER—At her home in Port Allegany, Pa., Miss Nellie E. Miller, '08, to Mr. Charles W. Catlin. Their home is Port Allegany. May it be one filled with happiness! is the fervent wish we have for our friends.

HULL-STANGLER—On June eighth in the chapel of St. Bartholomew's Church, New York City, Horace Mann Hull, '05, to Miss Ruby Stangler. The ceremony was performed by the father of Mr. Hull, Dr. George W. Hull, professor of mathematics. Mr. and Mrs. Hull will live in New York City where the former holds a very good position with the Pianola Company. We hope for our young friends many years of happiness.

NELSON-MAC EWEN—On September the eighteenth at Fresno, California, Miss Bertha V. MacEwen, '02, to Mr. Lionel E. Duquesne. "At Home at Fellows, California" the cards read.

GEMMILL-WATERS—On September the twenty-fifth, at Norfolk, Virginia, Miss Evis Waters to Dr. W. Frank Gemmill, '07.

HERSHEY-MILLER—On August twenty-fourth, at Dayton, Virginia, Miss Effie Miller to Mr. J. Willard Hershey, '01. The cards read "At home after September eighteenth at Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio."

PUGH-MILES—On August twenty-fourth at Cleveland, Ohio, Miss Grace E. Miles to Mr. David B. Pugh, '12. "At home after October tenth at Crafton, Pa." Thus read the cards.

NOBLE-BEACH—On October the seventeenth at New Castle, Pa., Miss Grace Beach to Dr. Joseph H. Noble, '92. Dr. and Mrs. Noble will live at 310 North Fortieth St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Y. W. C. T. U.

AMANDA LANDES

The Normal School Union began work in September with the following officers:

President, Amanda Landes; Vice-president, Margaret Bradshaw; Recording Secretary, Eleanor Johnson; Corresponding Secretary, Margaret Beale; Treasurer, Sarah H. Gilbert; Supt. of Music, Letitia B. Clark; Supt. of Flower Mission, Julia Martin; Supt. of Literature, Joy Suiter.

The work began with an informal sociable held in room R on September 28th, when iced tea and wafers were served. That was the start of the regular bi-weekly meetings held all through the school year. At the second one of these meetings Miss Julia Martin gave an interesting account of the County Convention held in Lititz, August 30 and 31, at which convention Miss Martin represented the Normal School Union.

On October 22, we had the pleasure of having Miss Christine I. Tinling with us for an evening meeting when she spoke on the relation of "Temperance and Missionary Work." Miss Tinling worked in our school a whole week last fall and we were all glad to see her again.

When the great crowd of visitors came to our school for the Fall Field Day contests on November 4, our Union held a sale of sandwiches, hot cocoa, and ice-cream, both to accommodate the visitors and to add to the treasury of the Union.

The next meeting, November 9, will be an election meeting, when we shall gather up as many returns as possible, especially from those states voting for prohibition, and one of our young men will tell the tale of "How I went home to vote," and illustrate it with a sample ballot.

We have gained a goodly number of new recruits to take the place of those helpful members of last year, who are now teaching the children of various communities. Our prayers are with them that while they are developing the minds of their boys and girls, they may also be moulders of fine characters in them, and that their influence in the community may help to create a stronger sentiment against drinking and the saloon.

Y. M. C. A.

SANDERS P. McCOMSEY, '17, PRESIDENT

The call for a closer fellowship with each other and for a deeper friendship with the Master, Jesus Christ, bids us meet its requests. Therefore, that the building of this one wall of our great structure may not be neglected while we are busily engaged in erecting the other three, we feel the need of continuing the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, at Millersville.

The results of the work at the Normal during the past are a great inspiration to us to make this year, whose prospects are bright, a successful one.

Last July four delegates attended the Northfield Students' Conference, where they received a broader view of the Y. M. C. A. work and an earnest desire to become more useful factors of the cause. The Bible Study Classes are being reorganized and, with the three prayer services weekly, they furnish opportunities for co-operation. That these opportunities

are being grasped by the boys, is shown by their loyal attendance at these meetings.

Two promising features of this year's work are the Boys' Glee Club and the Deputation Committee. Last year the Boys' Glee Club demonstrated its ability and it is believed that it will retain its reputation this year. The Deputation Committee is a new one in our work. The members of this Committee have agreed to aid in conducting Christian Endeavor services in the village churches and elsewhere, when called. This work has already been undertaken and we hope to make it complete.

We desire to live up to our motto, *Diligenter Servimus*, and by our work in this Association, to prepare ourselves better for a life of service to the Master and our fellow men.

Y. W. C. A.

MIRIAM E. DIEHL, '17, PRESIDENT

"What does the Young Woman's Christian Association mean to your school?" is the question so often asked.

It can best be answered by quoting "Our Purpose."

"The purpose of the Student Young Woman's Christian Association shall be to unite the women of the institution in loyalty to Jesus Christ, to lead them to accept Him as their personal Saviour, to build them up in the knowledge of Christ, especially through Bible Study and Christian Service, that their character and conduct may be consonant with their belief. It shall thus associate them with the students of the world for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. It shall further seek to enlist their devotion to the Christian church and to the religious work of the institution."

Thus, living up to the purpose is our highest aim, and will mean so much to all of us when we go out in the world as Christian workers.

Last June seven delegates were sent to the Y. W. C. A. Student Conference held at Eagles Mere. The sincere and consecrated leaders with whom they came in contact, furnished much of the inspiration which guides the work this year.

The different committees carry on the work of the Association with the aid of a Cabinet and Advisory Board which act executively.

The Religious Committee has charge of the regular meetings known as "Wednesday Evening Prayer Meetings." They are also planning an interesting program for "World Fellowship Week."

The Association News Committee furnishes posters for the weekly meetings.

The Bible Study Committee has charge of the organized Bible Class which meets every Sunday afternoon. Morning Watch is also observed.

The Mission Study Committee is planning an instructive course for the Winter Term.

The Social Committee has been very active in giving informal teas, receptions, marshmallow toasts, etc., to interest the new girls as well as the old. A very interesting joint reception is being planned, at which the girls who attended the Eagles Mere Conference with the boys who attended the Northfield Conference, will try to impress upon those of us who were not there, the wonderful and valuable experiences that so deeply impressed them.

The Social Service Committee are preparing their work by making scrap-books and dressing dolls for the hospital "kiddies," at Christmas time.

Our field secretary, Miss Ruth Lee Pearson, expects to visit us in a few weeks. She will bring us many helpful suggestions for the year's work. Our ambition is to make our Association a real living Christian organization.

*THE SPIRIT OF MILLERSVILLE

I think some gentle fairy in the long ago,

With star-tipped wand and filmy dress of gauze,
Attracted by the studious lights aglow

At our old Normal said, "I'll pause
And wave my wand and wish a wish tonight
That shall mean more than just a passing change—
It shall abide. Forever I unite

These Normal hearts, and they shall not be strange
To one another as they venture forth
To east, to west, to south, to north:

Three times I'll wave to make the wish more true."
Then like a thistle, o'er the trees she flew.

So you and I and all of us are bound

By gossamer to others all unseen;
Uniting us the whole wide world around

And holding strong though years roll in between.
The fairy's kindly wish through good and ill,
Through sunshine and through storms abideth still.

JOHN L. SHROY, '87.

* The author of *The Spirit of Millersville* is a loyal son of Millersville, who is now one of the district superintendents of the public schools of Philadelphia. At the meeting of our Philadelphia Alumni Association, Friday, November 10, 1916, Mr. Shroy's reading of his poem was very

enthusiastically applauded by the one hundred and eleven loyal sons and daughters assembled in their annual meeting. The columns of the JOURNAL are always open to such splendid efforts. Who will be the next contributor?

The Normal Note Book

SARAH H. GILBERT

The class of 1917 has a roll of 125 members. The officers are: President, Charles Miller; Secretary, Elva Walter; Treasurer, Wilbert Leib. The Senior class motto is *Finis Opus Coronat*, the colors are blue and black, and the class flower is the ox-eye daisy.

With clever George Ade as author, Miss Landes as coach, and picked members of the ambitious class of 1917 as actors, the Senior play can scarcely fail of being a distinguished success. The title is *The County Chairman* and the date December 9th.

The *Touchstone* issued by 1917 will be edited by a board of twenty members. Sanders McComsey is editor-in-chief with George May as assistant. John Brubaker and Margaret Bradshaw are historians, and Harold Batdorf is Business Manager. The poets are Edna Hale and Charles Hanks, and the artists, May Leiden, Miriam Diehl, Helen Pitcairn, Baxter Cramer, and Arthur Zimmerman. The other members of the board are: Elizabeth Gish, Esther Kready, Leah Royer, Margaret Shaub, Janet Sprenkle, Luke Biemesderfer, James Martin and Roy Workman.

The Junior class, or the class of 1918, has organized, with the following officers: President, Frank Hershey; Vice-president, Allen Brightbill; Secretary, Blanche Henninger; Assistant Secretary, Hilda Groninger; Treasurer, J. Marion Brenner. The motto of 1917 is *Fidelity and Justice*, and the class flower is the lily of the valley. The class will tender the school a sociable on the evening of February 10th.

The library has started a collection of pictures for use in teaching geography, history, literature, art, and other branches. The pictures were obtained from magazines, calendars, railway circulars, and similar sources. Pulp board is used in mounting them.

The *New Republic*, a weekly journal of current history, has been added to the magazine subscription list.

We are trying the plan of having recitation periods an hour in length instead of forty-five minutes. It seems generally to meet with approval from teachers and students, so will probably be continued.

President Wilson passed through Lancaster on the evening of October 10th, and among the throng attracted to see and hear him were many of the Normal boys.

The first number of the school lecture course was a concert by the Old New England choir on the evening of October 14th. The members gave

a costume recital showing the musical development from the landing of the Pilgrims until the present day in four periods—Puritan, Colonial, Abolitionist, and Modern.

Ruth Hull has resigned her position at Clark University and accepted one nearer home as assistant librarian in Girard College.

The course on the Use of Books and Libraries is given only to Juniors and Seniors. So, in order to acquaint the lower classes with the organization of the Library, the Librarian has been conducting small groups of students on "library tours" lasting about an hour. During October, fifty-nine students, in nine groups, were given instruction in this way.

The students are making good use of the resources at their command in the Library. Besides doing a large amount of reference work, they have made a good beginning in general reading. The total circulation of books and magazines for October amounted to seven hundred and twenty-four. This number would be greatly augmented if it were possible to keep statistics of the reading done in the Library.

A few books of rather general interest recently added to the Society libraries are "Counter Currents" by Agnes Repplier, "Through Glacier Park" by Mary Roberts Rinehart, "Under the Apple-trees" by John Burroughs, and "Training for an Effective Life" by Charles W. Eliot. The School Library has put on its Education shelves John Dewey's two new books, "Democracy and Education," and "Schools of To-morrow."

Christmas in summer! Yes, Senorita Luisa Lillo L., our new student teacher from Santiago, Chile, has never experienced the coming of that holiday of the Nativity at any other time. It will be as a great novelty for her to see snow and ice here at Christmas as it would be for us to use apple blossoms or out-of-door roses for our Christmas trimmings.

Whether or not Spanish is destined to be the coming commercial language of the world owing to the increasing importance of the South American States, its appearance in school curricula is widespread. It has been taught in the summer school here for two years by Carlos Lopes, Millersville 1915. It is now accepted as part of the regular course in lieu of French or German. There is a class of some twenty members here taught by Miss Lillo, graduate of a Normal School in Chile. Several Normal teachers are included among the number. Miss Lillo has also some pupils from outside the school.

Howard House, the popular confectionery across the street, has lost "mine host and hostess," Mr. and Mrs. Randall, who have moved to Philadelphia, to the regret of many Normal friends and acquaintances.

The millennium has not come, old-time members of the rival Page and Normal, but something of the kind has—a fusion of the Normal and Page orchestras into one, The Normal School Orchestra. It is ably conducted by Russell Shenton and is ready to discourse good music for us on important public occasions.

"Syntax," wrote a newcomer not ready for the monthly test, but bravely trying it, is "the discussing department of grammar and tells the relation between the words."

We have Chapel Exercises now at one o'clock in the afternoon as that time seemed to fit in better with our new one-hour periods.

With the passing of the morning chapel has gone the distribution of the mail at the close of the service, a part of the programme that never seemed quite to harmonize with the rest. Now the morning mail is given out by the hall teachers on their respective halls. Expectant students gather at the appointed time at any angle of the hall and receive their letters and parcel-post notices.

On November 18th Miss Mary Schneder, our new music teacher from Sendai, Japan, will give a recital in the Normal Chapel. Mrs. Earley, head of the department, will assist. Miss Seyfert will give a violin number, and Miss Landes will recite.

Miss Schneder has started a class in Piano Pedagogy and a class in Harmony. It is a new venture and the classes are not large but have made a promising beginning.

Mr. Harbold spoke at the Lancaster and Lebanon Teachers' Institute.

When the choir re-assembles at the opening of the new school year we miss keenly at first the members of the last graduating class. But new students, with good voices, are invited to fill the depleted ranks, whose voices soon blend well, and again Mrs. Earley has a good choir in training. So it is this year.

A bulletin of the music for the following Sunday is posted in the lobby during each week. We may know what music to expect and know, too, at the service what composition and whose we are hearing, and are trained to recognize the classics.

Among those taking solo parts this year are Mrs. Earley, Mr. Shenton, Misses Helen Lightner, Pauline Erisman, Elsie Bickhart, and Gertrude Schmohl, and Messrs. James Ankrum, Charles Hull, and Harry Baughey.

The music department is preparing to give us evenings with the great composers of different nations—a Russian evening, a German evening, an Italian evening, etc.

Mrs. Earley is looking forward to giving us the *Stabat Mater*, or principal parts of it, some Sunday evening soon.

Some outside pupils in the vocal Music department are the Mmes. Harbold, Sherts, and Gordinier, Miss Bickhart, and Mr. Baughey.

Mr. Gordinier was one of the instructors at the York County School of Methods in August. Later, he was on the program of the Harford Co., (Md.) Institute, and Adams, Carbon, Greene, and Lancaster counties in Pennsylvania. He was also an instructor at Waynesboro and Uniontown city institutes and the joint institute of Cheltenham and Abington townships, Montgomery county.

The small classrooms in the rear of Room R have been thrown into the large audience room by removal of partitions, and modern lockers are being installed in a portion of the space for the convenience of day students.

Millersville came out strongly for Woman Suffrage last autumn at the Philadelphia Branch of the Alumni Association when Miss Ella T. Boice, '96, was unanimously elected president for this year. The banquet will be held this year at The Rittenhouse, 22nd and Chestnut Streets, and a large attendance is expected. Those going from the school are Mr. Harbold, Dr. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Symons, Mr. and Mrs. Kraybill, Miss Landes, Miss Gilbert.

A number of students take violin lessons under Mr. Shenton.

Dr. Hull represented the Normal School at an alumni meeting in Doylestown on November 1st.

Mrs. Earley has a music class in New Holland which she conducts weekly.

The classes in domestic science will have practice in the preparation of food in large quantities when they begin next week the serving of lunches, about once a week, to such day students as wish to patronize them. The plan is to serve a tempting lunch of real food value at a low price, as much below fifteen cents as the increased cost of food supplies will permit. Later, a good five-course dinner will be served.

The class in domestic arts will have an exhibition of the dresses they are making. As some, having shown themselves sufficiently proficient, have been allowed to use wool or even silk fabrics, there will be great diversity in the costumes displayed.

Miss Clark, whose brother is a Senior at Yale University this year, was privileged to attend the exercises commemorating the 200th anniversary of the founding of Yale College.

Mrs. Symons was a delegate to the D. A. R. convention in Philadelphia, October 17th.

Eleanor Kraybill and Charles Gordinier are walking with greatest delight in the flowery paths of the kindergarten. Elizabeth Harbold has reached the third grade in the formal climb up learning's hill.

Miss Anna Roddy is a teacher in the Marietta High School this year, and her brother Justin is a Senior at Franklin and Marshall College.

Charles Hull is a Junior at Franklin and Marshall College, as is also his classmate and neighbor, Carl Rees.

We noticed the following among the guests that came to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Normal Literary Society on October 27th: Aline Bateman, Sophia Brockman, Lola Reed, Mary Emlet, Isabella Elliott, Sadie Light, Mabel Harris, Cora Rabuck, Katherine McCulloch, Margaret Neely, Teresa Hershey, Leander Hoke, John Burke, Harry Jacobs, Raymond Coleman, Harold Geist, and Harold Gehman.

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Important Dates on the School Calendar 1917

April 4—*Wednesday*. Winter Term ends, 12 M.

April 9—*Monday*. Spring Term opens. Enrollment. Study hour, 7 P. M.

April 10—*Tuesday*. All class exercises begin, 8 A. M.

April 16—*Monday*. Special Spring Term (eleven weeks) begins. Enrollment.

April 21—*Saturday*. Lecture, H. C. Ostrander, "Burma," 8 P. M.

May 11—*Friday*. The Berna Concert Company, 8 P. M.

May 18—*Friday*. Anniversary of the Page Literary Society, 7:30 P. M.

May 26—*Saturday*. Lecture—Musical, Dr. Alma Webster-Powell, 8 P. M.

June 24—*Sunday*. Baccalaureate Sunday.

June 26—*Tuesday*. Class Day, 1:30 P. M.

June 27—*Wednesday*. Commencement Exercises, 9 A. M. Meeting of Alumni Association, 2 P. M. Alumni Supper, 5 P. M.

July 2—*Monday*. Summer Term begins (six weeks).

Aug. 10—*Friday*—Summer Term ends.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ALUMNI AND STUDENTS:

With the change of ownership of the Millersville State Normal School there need not be any transfer of loyalty on the part of her graduates and students. To all of these the School will continue to be Alma Mater ever interested in their welfare and always hoping for the same devoted loyalty which has hitherto characterized her sons and daughters. She will be in the same place—in the hearts of her graduates and students—and she extends to all the same cordial welcome that has been her attitude in the past.

The Spring Term, 1917

This number of the Normal Journal announces the special features and advantages of the Spring Term. For a detailed announcement of the courses offered, see pages 4 and 5.

Special Announcements

On the 27th of June, at 9 A. M., the Commencement Exercises will be held in the Normal Chapel. At 2 P. M. the same day the annual business meeting of the Alumni Association will be held in the Chapel. This meeting will be followed by the reading of the class histories of the decennial classes. 5 P. M. is the hour for the Annual Alumni Supper in the School dining room.

All members of the Millersville Alumni Association, as well as former students, are very cordially invited to come back to the Normal to take part in the exercises and to enjoy the fellowship and renewals of friendships.

The *historians* of the classes of '67, '77, '87, '97, '07 are urged to get their class histories ready for presentation at the next Annual Alumni Meeting, June 27, 1917.

H. JUSTIN RODDY,
Chairman of Executive Committee.

Do not forget to contribute to the Alumni Loan Fund. Thus far all money loaned to deserving students has been paid back before the same began to bear interest. This money is loaned to deserving students on condition that said students give the Treasurer of the School a promissory note, endorsed by a responsible person. The note does not bear interest till two years from date of making.

APPLICATIONS FOR DIPLOMAS

Applications for second diplomas and blank health certificates will be sent to all members of the class of 1915, about the 15th of March. Graduates of earlier classes who have not received their second diplomas and who will have taught two full school terms in the public schools of Pennsylvania by or before June 15, 1917, should send to the School for the same blanks. These blanks should be properly filled and signed immediately after the close of the teaching term, and sent to the Principal not later than June 5th of this year.

All graduates who receive their second diplomas this year and who come to the School for Commencement or Alumni meetings will please call at the Public Office for their diplomas. If not called for, 10 cents to cover postage should be sent. Upon receipt of the same diplomas will be promptly mailed.

Charges for Spring Term

The expense to *boarding students* for the 12 weeks is \$77. This includes enrollment fee, board, tuition, room rent, heat, light, and laundry work.

The expense to *day students* for the 12 weeks is \$28. This includes the enrollment fee, tuition, school privileges, and use of Study Hall.

The tuition of all students at the State Normal Schools, who are not less than seventeen years of age and who sign an agreement to teach in the public schools of this Commonwealth for not less than two years, and who are pursuing regular courses in pedagogy therein, shall be paid by the Commonwealth. (Extract from Section 2020, School Laws of Pennsylvania.)

The charges of all students who meet the foregoing requirements will be as follows: *Boarding students*, 12 weeks, \$59; *day students*, 12 weeks, \$10.

Boarding students entering no later than the week beginning Monday, April 16th, will be charged term rates. Those entering after April 21 will be charged the weekly rate. The weekly rate for any time less than a term, for students receiving free tuition, is \$5.

The charge for one lesson a week in Voice Culture or Piano, with the use of the piano for one practice period daily, is \$11 for the term. For part of a term, the charge is \$1 per lesson, with use of piano for practice.

All students are admitted free to all regular lectures, entertainments, and athletic games held under the auspices of the school.

PAYMENTS

All money must be paid to the Treasurer who acts on behalf of the Trustees. *Payments for board, tuition, music, etc., is to be made at the time a student enrolls.*

Checks, bank drafts, express and post-office money orders may be used in payment of all bills. They should be drawn payable to the Treasurer, H. C. Symons.

There are no extra charges except for books, stationery, typewriting, shorthand, music, special lessons, and laboratory fees.

The extra expenses of students are very small, consequently they do not need large sums of spending money. Arrangements are made by which students may deposit money with the Treasurer, and draw it at such times as they desire.

Schedule of Spring Term Courses

Below is a list of *one term* courses offered during the Spring Term of 1917. Subjects which run for more than one term are not scheduled here. Other subjects may be offered if there is demand for them. *All recitation periods are one hour long.*

Algebra	Sec. 1, (Beg. Alg.),	3:15 M Tu W Th F.
	Sec. 2, (To Quadratics),	1:15 M Tu W F.
	Sec. 3, (Thro. Quad. and beyond),	8 M Tu W Th.
	Sec. 4, (Review of entire subject),	1:15 M Tu W Th F.
Plane Geometry (Books I, II, III)		11 M Tu W Th F.
Higher Algebra		10 Tu F 11 M.

Foreign Languages

Beginning Latin		10 M Tu W Th F.
Beginning German		8 M W F.
Beginning Spanish		8 M W F.

Pedagogy

School and Class Management	Sec. 1,	9 M Tu Th.
	Sec. 2,	1:15 M Tu Th.
School Law and Sanitation	Sec. 1,	8 M W F.
	Sec. 2,	11 M W F.
	Sec. 3,	3:15 Tu Th F.
General Methods		2:15 Tu W F.
Special Methods (History and Geography)		11 Tu Th F.
Rural Sociology (Hours to be decided upon later).		

Commercial Branches

Penmanship	Sec. 1,	9 M W Th.
	Sec. 2,	8 Tu W F.
Double Entry Bookkeeping	Sec. 1,	1:15 W 3:15 M Th.
	Sec. 2,	2:15 M Tu Th.
Typewriting and Shorthand		2:15 W F 3:15 Tu.

Sciences

Physical Geography	Sec. 1,	10 M W 9 F.
	Sec. 2,	3:15 M W F.
Botany	Sec. 1,	1:15 Tu Th F.
	Sec. 2,	8 Tu Th F.
	Sec. 3,	3:15 M W F.
Zoology		11 M W F.
Physiology		8 Tu Th 2:15 W.
Political Geography	Sec. 1,	3:15 M Tu Th.
	Sec. 2,	9 M W Th.
	Sec. 3,	10 T Th F.
	Sec. 4,	2:15 M Tu Th.

Music

Public School Music		3:15 Tu W F.
Voice Culture. Private lessons to be arranged to suit the teacher and student.		
Piano Lessons. Private lessons to be arranged to suit the teacher and student.		

Millersville Purchased by the State

On Wednesday, February 7, 1917, the Millersville State Normal School became the property of the State of Pennsylvania. The last act in the transfer of the property occurred on this day, when the officers of the Board of Trustees signed the deed. The dissolution of the corporation will no doubt soon follow. With the official transfer of the Normal School the State Board of Education assumes entire control. This Board will in due time appoint nine trustees to assume the responsibility of the management of "the pecuniary and other affairs" of the School.

When the School Code became the school law of Pennsylvania, June 18, 1911, the first movement for state ownership of the State Normal Schools was completed. To carry the provisions of the new law into effect, the State Legislature had to appropriate money for the purchase of the schools. In 1913 appropriations were made and soon several schools passed into the hands of the State. In 1915 additional appropriations were voted which made the purchase of additional schools possible. Ten of the thirteen Normal Schools are now virtually state owned. The present Legislature, in session now, will be asked to appropriate an additional sum to purchase such of the remaining three schools not now owned by the State as desire a change of ownership.

Inasmuch as the State Board has not named the new Board of Trustees, we are unable to give our readers any information as to who will constitute that body.

The relations between the members of the outgoing Board and the members of the Faculty have been most cordial. It has always been a great pleasure to see these gentlemen come to the School in their official capacity as well as on personal and friendly missions. Since nine men, instead of eighteen as heretofore, shall constitute the new board, we know that at least half of the number will be missed on the first Saturday of each month. It is hoped, indeed we know, that not one of the eighteen can really lose his interest in the welfare of an institution which he has served so faithfully for years and which was near and dear to his heart. This is great consolation to those of us who, for a number of years, enjoyed the benefit of the kindly counsel of these fine gentlemen and public spirited citizens. Those who are to bear the responsibility of the management of the affairs undoubtedly will frequently consult with their colleagues of former years and seek unofficial advice from them.

The change in the number of members on the Board of Trustees is one of many similar changes effected by the new school law of 1911. Many city and borough boards of education were greatly reduced in number and every township board from six to five members. This movement in

Pennsylvania constitutes but one phase of a large movement in this direction. All over the country there has been a general movement to have affairs of all kinds managed by small boards. The movement is an effort to further democratize the management of the affairs of democratic society by having the people at large elect men to these positions instead of elections by wards and interested persons. The movement generally seems to merit the endorsement of society.

The change recalls to our minds certain important events in the history of the Millersville Normal School. Some one ought to write up a complete history of the School. Such a history would make interesting reading matter. The dates most important in this history are April 17, 1855, December 2, 1859, and February 7, 1917.

On April 17, 1855, the Lancaster County Institute was opened under the direction of J. P. Wickersham, then Superintendent of the Lancaster county schools. This institute was held in the building of the Millerstown Academy. As an academy, however, there was no school organized, for before this could be done, the Lancaster county teachers were organized into an institute to continue three months and by September of 1855 the partially completed plans for an academy matured into the organization of the Lancaster County Normal School.

The second date of great importance is December 2, 1859. On this day the Lancaster County Normal School was officially recognized as the First State Normal School in Pennsylvania. This recognition was in accordance with the Normal School Law passed in 1857 and an event of which all our graduates and students have ever been proud. The Recognition Committee consisted of Hon. James Pollock, Hon. A. G. Curtin, Hon. Wm. M. Hiester, A. R. Blair, Supt. of York county schools, Henry Houck, Supt. of Lebanon county schools, David Evans, Supt. of Lancaster county schools, and Hon. Henry Hickok, State Supt. of Common Schools.

We are proud to note that Hon. Henry Houck, then the Superintendent of the Lebanon county schools, and a member of this committee, was a member of the Board of Trustees at the time of the transfer of the School, February 7, 1917. Mr. J. B. Martin, also a member of the outgoing Board, was the purchaser of the original tract of land on which the School had its beginning. Dr. P. W. Hiestand, another member of the last Board, has been a member almost from the beginning of the School.

The third date of vital significance to us and to all interested in public education is February 7, 1917. A new epoch begins with this date. No one can exactly foresee what changes will be effected by a change of ownership. It is doubtful whether any Board of Trustees can manage the School better than it has been managed. It is hoped the State of

Pennsylvania will be willing to support the Normal Schools it owns. An educational institution needs first of all financial support. This is certainly needed since Pennsylvania, the second richest state in the Union, ranks thirtieth in its support of its Normal Schools. When the various public school officials and the people fully realize the value of having trained teachers, they too will lend the Normal Schools of the State a more unanimous support.

At the time of the transfer of the School there were 189 shares of Contributors' Stock. The par value of each is \$25. The State of Pennsylvania, therefore, gets a fair bargain when the property of the Millersville State Normal School passes into its hands for a consideration of \$4725, and the assumption of all debts of the School which are about \$50,000.

ALUMNI LOAN FUND AND SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

There are four distinct funds belonging to the School in which the readers will be interested. They are as follows:

The Alumni Loan Fund.....	\$1284.50
The Wickersham Scholarship Fund.....	2085.86
The Class of '95 Prize Fund.....	100.00
The Class of '98 Scholarship Fund.....	1000.00
Total.....	<u>\$4470.36</u>

Hitherto, these contributions were part of the regular school funds. Their identity was not kept distinct from the customary school receipts. It will be a satisfaction to all to learn that the Board of Trustees, before the formal transfer of the School to the State, separated these several amounts from the general school funds and they will now be safely invested by the new Board, so that the principal shall be safe and untouched while the interest shall be devoted to the intended purposes or added to the principal in case it is not entirely used any one year as may be the case with the Alumni Loan Fund.

The Summer School for 1917 begins July 2d, and ends August 10th. The announcement of courses offered will be ready for distribution late in April or early in May.

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